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In re Patent No. 7,080,444	:	
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Application No. 10/086,491	:	ON PETITION
Filed: February 28, 2002	:	
Attorney Docket No. 003424.P029	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed October 15, 2010, which will be treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c) to accept the delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This patent expired on July 26, 2010 for failure to pay the three and one-half year maintenance fee. Since this petition was submitted within twenty-four months after the six-month grace period provided in 37 CFR 1.362(e), the petition was timely filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.378(c).

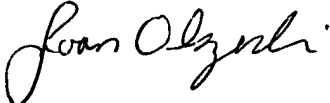
The maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

Petitioner has submitted a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) which will be treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c). Since the statement contained in the instant petition varies from the language required by 37 CFR 1.378(c) the statement contained in the instant petition is being construed as the statement required by 37 CFR 1.378(c) and petitioner must notify the Office if this is **not** a correct interpretation of the statement contained in the instant petition.

Petitioner has submitted \$1,620.00 towards the required \$1,640.00 surcharge fee, thus creating a \$20.00 shortage. This shortage will be charged to petitioner's deposit account as authorized on October 15, 2010.

Additionally, the address given on the petition differs from the new address of record. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the address on the petition. However, the Office will mail all future correspondence solely to the address of record. Further, petitioner should note that a change of correspondence address would not affect the fee address. Therefore, if petitioner desires to receive future correspondence, which **may** be mailed regarding the maintenance fees for the above-identified patent, the "fee address" and/or customer number forms should be submitted.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-7751.



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